

SAUNDERS ROAD WIDENING

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CITY OF HAMPTON, VIRGINIA

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEETS AND SUMMARY

HELD:

July 12, 2012

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Northampton Community Center

1435-A Todds Lane, Hampton, VA 23666

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Preface

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Saunders Road Widening project will address current roadway safety issues and future traffic demand. The improvements include widening Saunders Road from a two-lane facility to a four-lane divided roadway with on-street bike lanes, curb and gutter, raised landscaped median, and sidewalks on both sides. Acquisition of right of way and easements will be required from approximately 65 parcels, thirteen of which will be total acquisition. Estimated project cost is approximately \$19 million, which includes preliminary engineering, right of way acquisition, and construction. The construction is scheduled to begin in late 2014.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is applicable to this project and a Categorical Exclusion (CE) has been developed in accordance with the federal guidelines.

A Public Hearing was held on July 12, 2012. The primary focus of the Public Hearing was to show the proposed design and approved CE document to the public and provide the opportunity for any person to offer comments or submit written material. Representatives from the City of Hampton, Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., and URS Corp. were present to discuss the project with the citizens and address any concerns. Approximately forty-four (44) people attended the meeting which received prior TV and newspaper coverage.

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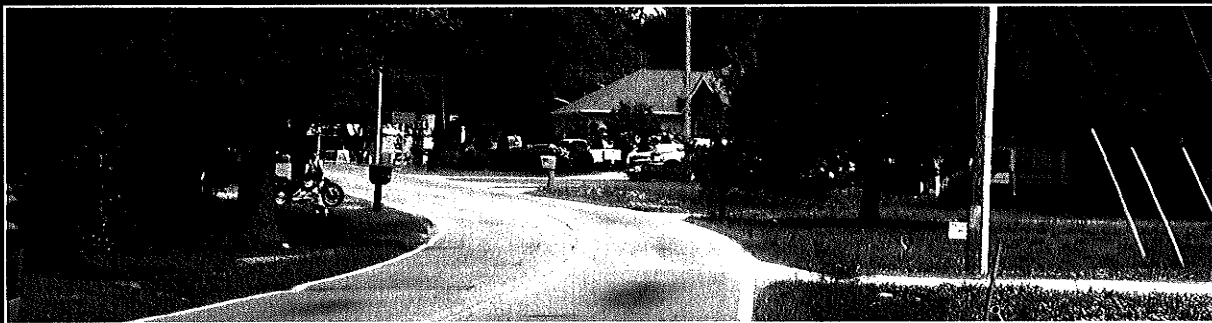
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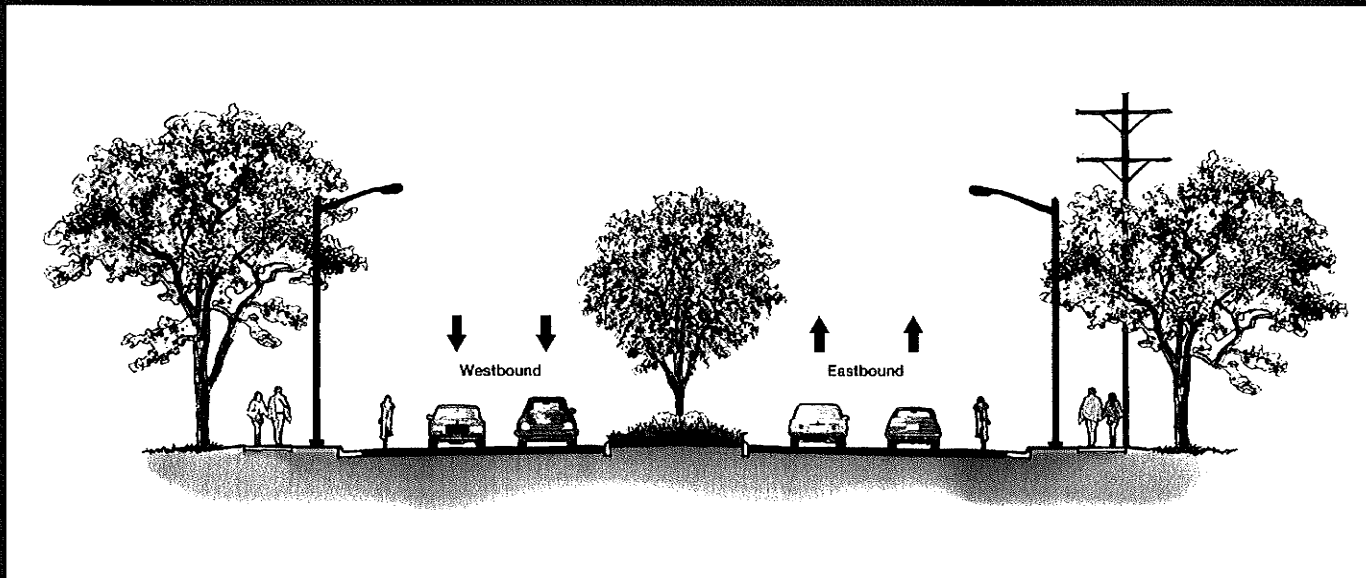
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Typical 94-foot Right of Way Section

INTRODUCTION

The City of Hampton would like to welcome you to the Public Hearing for the Saunders Road Widening Project that extends from Westview Drive to Big Bethel Road.

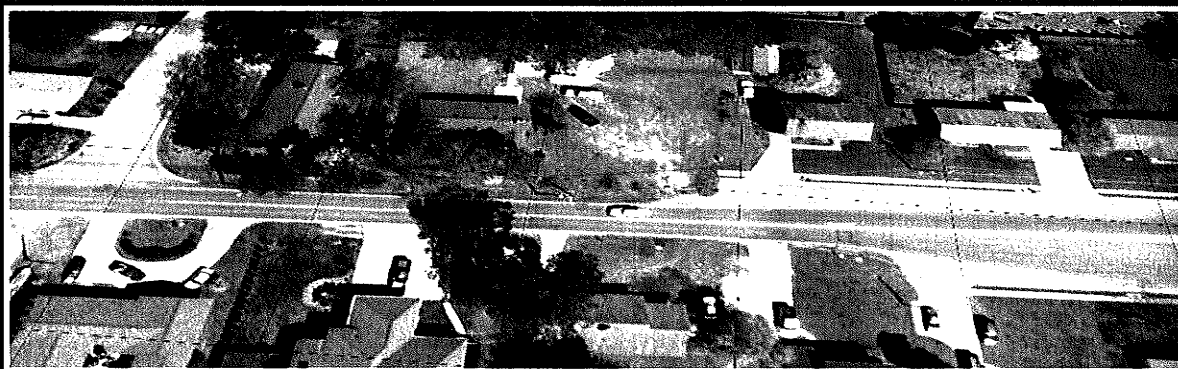
The purpose of this Public Hearing is to provide an opportunity for any person, acting on his/her own behalf or representing a group or governing body, to offer comments or submit written material concerning the proposed improvements to Saunders Road.

We welcome your written comments, which may be provided on the comment sheet that is included. All written comments must be submitted for review and consideration by July 27, 2012. Comments will be addressed and appropriate changes made. A court reporter will be available to record verbal comments.

Representatives from the City of Hampton and the design consultants will be present to discuss your concerns and respond to your questions.

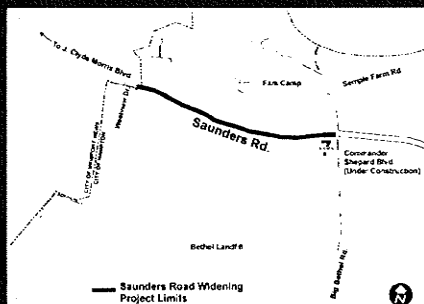
It is the responsibility of the City of Hampton to ensure that all members of the community are afforded the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation systems and projects affecting them. The City of Hampton ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information or special assistance, please contact:

Office of Equal Opportunity
22 Lincoln Street
Hampton, Virginia 23669
Phone: (757)727-6490 • Fax: (757)728-3504
TTY/TDD 711 • E-mail: wadams@hampton.gov



PROJECT PURPOSE

Since the 1980s, Saunders Road has been designated in the City of Hampton's transportation plan as part of a future east-west transportation route linking areas of J. Clyde Morris Boulevard (Route 17) in midtown Newport News and southern York County with the northwest area of Hampton. Also, with the availability of undeveloped land in this area of Hampton and the infrastructure investments made there by the city and the development community, the Magruder Boulevard corridor is poised to grow in population and jobs, which will generate demand for improvements in the area road network, including Saunders Road. Because of the projected increase in traffic due to the anticipated growth in the northwest area of Hampton and because of the upcoming redistribution of traffic once the Commander Shepard Boulevard extension to Big Bethel Road is completed, Saunders Road traffic volumes are expected to increase from 10,000



vehicles per day to 24,000 vehicles per day by 2036, far exceeding the capacity of this two-lane roadway. The future 2036 traffic volumes are based on the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission traffic model projections.

Improvements to Saunders Road, including the widening of the roadway to four lanes, are critical for meeting this future traffic demand and for addressing the current roadway safety issues.

PROJECT DESIGN INFORMATION

The proposed typical section is a four-lane divided roadway with curb and gutter and a raised median. Sidewalks, on-street bike lanes, landscaping, and street lights will be provided along the corridor.

At the June 2010 Citizens Information Meeting on the conceptual design of the roadway, several area residents requested that the new road

cross section not include a raised center median, so that access to private properties would not be reduced. After careful consideration of this comment, the design consultants feel that the raised median is an important safety component of the project—the median reduces the potential for vehicle collisions by separating the east and west bound travel lanes. In addition, the raised median will allow for extensive landscaping, which will improve the overall appearance of the corridor. While it is recognized that many of the residents along Saunders Road would be required to make U-turns at median openings to access their properties, the design consultants feel that the overall public safety and aesthetic advantages of the raised median far outweigh the disadvantages of the access impacts.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

During construction, all reasonable efforts will be made to protect the environment with respect to dust control, siltation, and erosion. Stormwater management facilities also will be incorporated into this project. Construction will conform to the nationwide best management practices, VDOT specifications and special provisions, and the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation.

FLOODPLAIN IMPACTS

This project is not expected to generate any adverse floodplain impacts.

TRAFFIC ANALYSIS

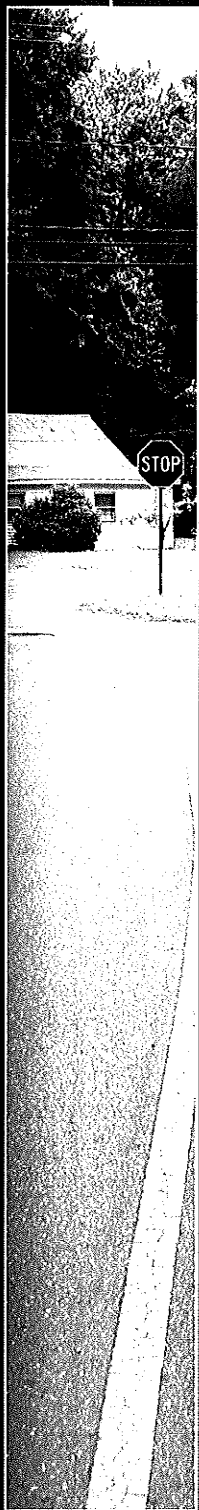
Current traffic volumes are approximately 10,000 vehicles per day. It is anticipated that traffic will substantially increase based on historical growth rate trends in the City of Hampton, an increase in the number of cars per household, and the redistribution of traffic based on the Commander Shepard Boulevard extension project currently under construction. The projected 2036 traffic volumes of 24,000 vehicles per day far exceed the capacity limits of an existing two-lane roadway.



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RIGHT OF WAY

Preliminary plans indicate the proposed improvements will require the total acquisition of 13 parcels, which includes relocation of the residents. Acquisition of right of way and temporary construction easements will be required from approximately 65 parcels. If your property is affected, you will be contacted at a later date. Questions concerning right of way procedures can be addressed here tonight or they can be directed to:

Ayanna R. Williams, Real Estate Manager
Office of Administration, Engineering & Architectural Services
22 Lincoln Street, 4th Floor, Hampton, VA 23669
Phone: (757) 727-6208
Email: arwilliams@hampton.gov

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Environmental reviews and coordination with natural and historic resource agencies has been conducted to obtain information about environmental resources in the project vicinity; to provide these agencies an opportunity to review and comment on the project during its development; and to identify opportunities for avoidance, minimization, and mitigation of potential environmental impacts.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is applicable to this project and a Categorical Exclusion (CE) has been developed in accordance with federal guidelines. The NEPA document includes information from various technical reviews including those related to natural resources, threatened and endangered species, air quality, noise, etc. In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed project on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places also is provided in the environmental documentation. As part of the document preparation, a corridor hazardous materials reconnaissance survey has been prepared on the corridor to determine if there are known or suspected hazardous materials or petroleum releases within or immediately adjacent to the proposed work area.

ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS

Preliminary Engineering \$1.5 million
Right of Way \$3.6 million
Construction \$13.65 million

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE

The following schedule has been proposed:

Review and Evaluation
of Public Hearing Comments July 2012
Begin Right of Way Acquisition Phase Fall 2012
Begin Construction Late 2014

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Project information, including comments made at the Public Hearing, will be made available for review at City Hall, Public Works, 4th floor, 22 Lincoln Street, Hampton, Virginia 23669. Please contact Mr. Fred Whitley, P.E., URS Corporation, at (757) 383-6206 or by email at fred.whitley@urs.com or Lynn Allsbrook, P.E., City Engineer at (757) 727-6346 or by e-mail at lallsbrook@hampton.gov if you have any further questions or comments.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

Comment sheets are available in this brochure. Fifteen calendar days after this Public Hearing on July 27, 2012, the public comment period will close. To be made part of the official transcript of the Public Hearing, written comments or questions concerning the project need to be dropped in the comment box at the meeting or mailed to the following address:

Lynn Allsbrook, P.E., City Engineer
City of Hampton Public Works
22 Lincoln Street
Hampton, Virginia 23669



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Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ____ No ____

If not, were you offered further assistance? _____

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ____ Direct Mail ____ Roadway Signs ____

Other (please explain) _____

Please leave this comment sheet at the designated location or mail your comments to the addressee on the reverse side **by July 27, 2012.**

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Fifteen (15) calendar day comment period was held from July 12, 2012 to July 27, 2012. However, all comments received prior to August 3, 2012 are included in this summary. Forty-four (44) citizens attended the Public Hearing. A total of fourteen (14) completed comment sheets and one (1) email comment were received. Seven (7) comments were documented by a court reporter during the meeting.

Comments to specific questions on the comment sheet

Below is a summary of comment responses to specific questions on the comment sheet distributed during the meeting. The numbers in parentheses at the end of each comment correspond to the number assigned to the individual comment sheet. The number and name references can be found on the comment table.

Question #1

Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

There were six who did not have any concerns with the environmental document. Seven others had concerns and offered the following comments:

- The need for so large SWM pond seems overstated. I had hoped and was led to believe that the residual property left after taking footage from my home lot would be useable for building a new house. (2)
- I am not happy about losing all my property to storm water basin. I think it can be located elsewhere. I grew up there and would like to continue to have my house moved back or build a new one – I am happy with my community and enjoy location (4)

- We were not told about SWM's – why can't this water drain into the ditch and/or woods next to property at Betz and Park area? Will Betz Lane get improved drainage from this endeavor? (6)
- Please provide sewer to our address. And is there any way to start the median right after our driveway? We are first on that side so to make a right turn to go down to make a u-turn to come back to Big Bethel – please. (7)
- I don't know that I've seen something called an Environment Document. I received a document at the public hearing titled *Saunders Road Widening—Public Hearing* which may be what is being referred to in this question as the Environmental Document. If so, it is overly summarized to suit my interests. I've reviewed the *Saunders Road Conceptual Study*, which does describe environmental study results in sufficient detail to address most of my concerns. (9)
- Creating a bottleneck effect at the end of this project at the Newport News line will be dangerous. We all know what happens (ie. Rt 64 West in Denbigh, big bethel road near mercury). It will become a race to see who gets there first. (13)
- No comments. I never saw an environmental document. (15)

Question #2

Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

There were four that did not have any concerns about unaddressed information in the Environmental Document. Nine others had concerns and offered the following comments:

- Road lighting, drainage, crosswalks, all concerns are locations (1)
- Sidewalk traffic is not existent or so little that a 5 foot wide sidewalk on each side of the street is extreme over building. Big Bethel Road has same plan – but no pedestrian traffic is using sidewalks (2)
- Betz Lane mail boxes, where will they go (3)
- I am not happy about losing all my property to storm water basin. I think it can be located elsewhere. I grew up there and would like to continue to have my house moved back or build a new one – I am happy with my community and enjoy location (4)
- NO bus stops on my property (7)
- Nearly all topics are mentioned in the Environmental Document, though there are very few details. I've entered my comments and suggestions under item #5 below. (9)
- Drainage into the Fam Camp area. (11)
- The danger of cars ending up in front yards. When the ditch in front of the houses is gone, the cars would end up in our homes. As you know this happens frequently. (13)
- Although I never saw an environmental document, when I suggested Semple Farm Road was more worthy of a renovation, I was told there were too many environmental issues (wetlands, etc.) to tackle on that road. But Newport News is expected to tackle their environmental issues to extend the “project” into their city to alleviate the massive bottlenecking. (15)

Question #3

Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

There were seven who believed that the meeting helped them to understand the project's purpose. Six did not understand the purpose and offered the following comments:

- Too much overbuilding in sidewalks and green space on each side of new road proposal (2)
- Because of road going into a two lane at city line, why do we need sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides – it's a waste to me (4)
- Just depressed me (that's a joke) (7)
- This is a pre-meeting comment (8)
- Why was this presentation not set up as a meeting? As a meeting, questions and concerns can be addressed so all could hear and respond. This presentation was no different than the one at Sandy Bottom months ago. (13)
- No. I don't understand this at all and furthermore, I am not aware of any alternatives at all. Saunders Road was a done deal because of federal money with total disregard for the residents. (15)

Question #4

Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

There were six that are more aware of the impact of the project. Four others expressed their concerns about the impacts of the project and offered the following comments:

- Because of road going into a two lane at city line, why do we need sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides – it's a waste to me (4)
- I live on the road... (7)
- This is a pre-meeting comment (8)
- No. I did find out about the retention ponds, but there seems to be a discrepancy between the newspaper and the city as to how many residents will be losing their homes. (15)

Question #5

Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

There were twelve comments regarding the design improvements. Those comments included:

- Driveways onto properties (1)
- I would like some potential future improvements to the water line down Betz Lane. Please consider the additional water supply when building the road. So you don't have to tear up the road after building it! (3)
- I would prefer there not be a median at the end of Quarter Path Lane. However, if there is one, I would prefer to be able to make a U-turn at the end of the median by Edgemont when coming home from Newport News. As drawn, there is not indentation in the median to allow a vehicle to move off the main road. I don't have to have to go down to Flinton Drive to safely make a U-turn. (5)

- On Betz Lane, where will the mail boxes be located? (6)
- Low growing trees that don't require constant trimming. Nandinas (8 feet high) are perfect because you don't trim and they stay green year around) (7)
- The westernmost project limit current stops about 120' into about 700' of a constricted right of way bordering the Hampton/Newport News City Line. When Newport News does not have a companion roadway improvement project, we would be prepared to assist you in negotiating easements and/or ROW to extend your improvements to the westernmost city line. (8)
- Please consider the following in determining the final design of this project: (9)
 1. Consider (1) adjusting the west end of the project 600' further west to beyond Westview Drive, (2) adding a 200' westbound right turn only lane onto Betz Lane, and (3) extending two through traffic lanes beyond the Saunders Road intersection with Betz Lane/Sanlun Lakes Drive. IAW the large maps that were on display at the public hearing (and the *Saunders Road Widening Conceptual Study*), the current plan had the four lane reduction to two lanes occurring east of Westview Drive at the Hampton/Newport News Corporate Line (through the Environmental Document brochure at the public hearing depicted the west end of the project coinciding with Westview Drive).
 - The *Saunders Road Widening Conceptual Study* stated that the intersection of Saunders Road and Betz Lane/Sanlun Lakes Drive had the highest minor street volume. As is currently the plan, there would be a lot going on very near that intersection (and therefore a safety issue) – the highest volume of left turns, change of right westbound through traffic lane to right turn only westbound lane onto Betz Lane (causing urgent lane changes to the left for through traffic), and Saunders Road curve to the left. Just prior to that intersection and curve heading westbound there would be a lot of drivers checking left mirrors and looking over their left shoulder for a last moment merge to the left, center near stop to turn onto the narrow, gravel Betz Lane—it is very likely there will be rear end collisions considering these circumstances. Additionally, turning left from Sanlun Lakes Drive onto westbound Saunders Road is already a little tricky—the curve to the left of the intersection limits being able to see traffic coming and so requires quick acceleration when doing so (and this circumstance will worsen when the road speed limit is increased). These recommended adjustments—moving the west end further west, adding a right turn only lane for Betz Lane traffic, and extending two through traffic lanes beyond the intersection—would help reduce the intensity of the activity in the vicinity of that intersection and increase traffic safety.
 - The specific recommendation for the 600' shift west is more clearly depicted in Figure 1. This specifically chosen location (600' to the west) seems to be a logical one in that:
 - I. It is about 100' east of the existing eastbound, widened, paved shoulder.
 - II. That location provides a substantive traffic cueing capacity after the intersection.
 - III. The 700' preceding section of westbound roadway is nearly straight (no curve).
 - The added right turn only lane onto Betz Lane would consume lane that is already part of the property the city intends to purchase (113 and 115 Saunders Road are slated as complete property purchases). The only impact (in addition to slightly more cost specifically for road construction of this turn lane) would be a slightly smaller area for SWM Pond. As a solution to consider, the pond may be able to be increased in capacity by designing it to be a little deeper—maybe a foot or so would be adequate.

- Two though traffic lanes beyond the intersection and around the curve will improve roadway safety. Traffic will be able to maintain speeds and lanes through the intersection and around the curve rather than make those adjustments just as they're entering the intersection and approaching the curve.
2. Consider specifying inclusion of water aeration fountains and treatment for the SWM Pond at 113/115 Saunders Road. These features will help keep this pond a plus rather than a negative for the local community. Aeration and treatment will help keep the mosses, mosquitoes, and foul odors abated, and can represent a little giving to the neighborhood with respect to the overall road widening project impacts. The citizens most tangibly impacted by this road widening project—those of us that live right there—will certainly appreciate that gesture.
 - Power lines and cables would be nice underground. I have a 30ft camper and need a wider driveway and apron to pull into off Saunders. (11)
 - The raised median at Quarter Path Lane should be removed to permit left turns in and out of Quarter Path Lane. (12)
 - Has a center turn lane instead of this been considered? It would be for both ways as there is on rt 60 as you enter Williamsburg. (13)
 - The raised median at Quarter Path Lane should be removed or moved back in an easterly direction so that left turns in and out of Quarter Path Lane are permitted. The westbound dedicated left turn lane on Saunders Road should be retained, but marked or painted on the road, not created with the raised median. Without this change the resulting U-turns will be more disruptive to traffic and more dangerous than any interaction between westbound and eastbound traffic on Saunders Road at this location. (14)
 - Have the traffic routed onto Big Bethel Road to Hampton Roads Center Parkway (the road designed to connect the city) or Magruder Blvd–Rte 134 which would allow the residents to keep their property. (15)

Question #6

Were project representatives able to answer your questions? If not, were you offered further assistance?

There were nine who stated that the representatives were able to answer their questions. Two did not believe they had their questions answered and two said that some of their questions were addressed. Of those thirteen who answered the question, four offered comments to whether they were given further assistance. Those comments are listed below:

- Kind of, we have no choices. (6)
- Yes, most of my questions were answered and further assistance was offered. (9)
- To some degree. (11)
- Talked to three people, they understand but no answers. (13)

Question #7

How did you hear about this meeting?

There were eight that saw the notice in the newspaper, six received a letter in the mail, one who saw the roadway sign and seven who checked other. Of these, some responded that they heard about the meeting

several ways. Of the seven who checked other, three heard about the meeting by email, two by a neighbor, one by Mr. Whitley, URS, and eight by the City contacts.

Additional Comments Received

These additional comments were received via emails, letters, or on comment sheets.

- Thanks for helping us visualize ☺ (7)
- I appreciate the City of Hampton's offering of this public hearing, presentation of project information, and willingness to accept comments from the public. I must say that the city representatives present at the public hearing handled themselves very professionally and courteously, despite being confronted with a number of disgruntled and outspoken citizens. Kudos to those folks you sent to represent the City of Hampton; they were very pleasant. (9)
- Just wanted to remind you that I have had a business at this residence for 18 years and the previous owners for at least 11 years before me. This property is zoned for both residential/light commercial and I have large delivery trucks come in to deliver my supplies. Because of the amount of time I have been in business, do you think this could be taken into consideration when determining that median in front of my driveway? I am a women-owned business and would like this to be taken into consideration when going back to look at this issue. Thanks! Signature Art is the name of the business. (10)
- Hi Terry, it was a pleasure talking with you and your wife yesterday about the road project and your main concern about access into and out of your property with you RV. I will pass on to the road designers that you would like to have a 16' wide driveway apron to facilitate your movements with the RV. And, once I am able to meet with Dominion VA Power, I will let you know if there is any talk about moving the overhead utilities along the frontage of your property, which would require a 20' wide easement to be purchased from you, in addition to the right of way needed for the road improvements. (11)

Court Reporter Comments

In addition to written comments received at the meeting or by mail, a court reporter was present at the Public Hearing to record verbal comments. A summary of the comments is listed below:

- I don't want a median in front of my house so I don't have to go down the street and turn around. I'd like to go just out of the driveway. That's what we had agreed upon in the first meeting, my neighbor and I. We had expressed that. So hopefully it will happen. (Frieda Sullivan, Parcel ID# 019)
- I live on Philmont Drive, and I have some concerns about this project. I don't dispute the need for a traffic project to improve east-west travel in and around Hampton, Newport News, York County. I don't understand why the City of Hampton is proceeding with the project currently when the City of Newport News is not apparently making any effort to continue the project all the way to U.S. Route 17. The roadbed from Big Bethel to U.S. 17 is, in my rough opinion, about four miles long, give or take. The Big Bethel to Saunders Road -- Saunders Road from Big Bethel

to the end of the City of Hampton is about a mile. So it would seem to me three-quarters of the project is not being done. Why is the City of Hampton proceeding with this when there's really no effort yet from Newport News to finish the job? It seems a waste of money and an unnecessary disruption of people's lives. I would be interested in seeing the return on investment taxpayers would realize from this. I think that's all I have at the moment. (Wayne Holden)

- I would like a Jersey wall -- my property is located at 110 Flinton Drive, F-l-i-n-t-o-n, Drive, Hampton, Virginia 23666. I would like a Jersey wall and also some shrubbery or -- shrubbery or trees to help reduce the noise and keep the property value where it is currently at. And if there's -- if there are an option between putting a wet pond or a dry pond in for the runoff, I would prefer a dry pond for the safety of the neighborhood kids, not to have any incidents like we had at Westview Lakes a few years ago. So it's proposed to have a wet pond or a dry pond, and a dry pond would be better for the safety of the kids in the neighborhood. I'm in the Navy, and I've been in the Navy for 19 years and I wanted this to be my retirement home. And, you know, if I'm having a barbecue or anything, I want to like to just see the street. I would like to have a Jersey wall and some trees adjacent to the Jersey wall so we have some kind of scenery. Thank you. (Nelo Nightingale)
- B-o-n-i-t-a H-u-n-t-e-r. I'm a real estate broker with RE/MAX Peninsula. And my concern is -- I am also a property manager for 40 Westview Drive, and I have a sister who lives on 6 Sanlun, S-a-n-l-u-n, Lake Drive. My concern is with the changes in the construction going to take place on the road, how it is going to affect the sales in the area and also people being able to get in and out to their apartment. Also, I would like to know if there's going to be any type of barriers built to help keep the noise down on, what is that, Saunders Road, is there going to be any type of barriers, because that is also going to decrease the values of the properties in the area as well as prevent the potential buyers or sellers from getting in and out to the property. That is all I have. My number is 890-0052. Thank you. (Bonita Hunter)
- I live at 154 Saunders Road. My husband and I have been living there for over 30 years. My chief concern with the road widening project is the bottleneck that will be caused when the road goes back to the two-lane when it hits the Newport News line. We have already experienced accidents on that road. My husband and I are always ready to have orange cones, flares next to our front door. And I know looking at other bottleneck roads in the area, that it will turn into a raceway. People are racing to get to the bottleneck before anyone else. It will cause accidents. It doesn't concern me that this will be a four-lane highway. However, it needs to be all the way down, because this is a dangerous situation. In addition to the bottleneck, our ditches will be gone. Our ditches were the only way to prevent cars being driven into our porch. The ditches, since they will be gone, unless there is a guardrail, we will have cars in our yard. It will happen. This is a very big concern for us on Saunders Road. I understand the amount of traffic going to Langley and I understand why this is being done. My husband and I have suggested to have turn - left turn lanes on Saunders Road to get into Edgemont, to get into Westview, to get into the main roads to alleviate rear-end collisions. We feel that this could be beneficial to the road. A four-lane highway bottlenecked with no ditches on this road will cause accidents. That's it. That's my main concern. (Sharon Smith, Parcel ID# 034)
- I live at 2 Edgemont Drive, the City of Hampton. Specifically I live at the corner of Edgemont and Saunders Road. I am opposed to the City's layout of the Saunders expansion. Specifically, in 26 years of living at 2 Edgemont Drive, we moved there because of its ruralness and the fact that it was very quiet. Over the course of 26 years, of course, Saunders Road has picked up more and more traffic. During those 26 years, there have been numerous fatalities along that road, many of which I have personally responded to, unfortunately. I only see the expansion of the road as an

increase in speed. Even though it's going to be straightened out, you've lessened the buffer between the homes that are out there now and the roadway. This last year we personally were involved where a drunk driver coming down Saunders Road ran through our yard, through our backyard, into my neighbor's front yard who faces Saunders Road, and I only see this as a precursor of things to come. There is almost no speed enforcement on Saunders Road, hasn't in the number of years that we've lived there, because -- and I understand it's the north end of the city and not many law enforcement individuals frequent that area. With the increase to five lanes and the increase of the speed limit to 45 miles an hour from the present 35 miles an hour, all we are doing is making a nice, pretty semi-interstate system. I am afraid for those individuals who live directly on Saunders Road where fatalities that may have used to occur in the ditch line on the trees, none of which will remain after the expansion, will now occur either in their front yards or in their homes themselves. Not to mention that in the 26 years that we've lived there, we have really a great quality of life. There are almost no large trucks that use that road specifically because of its windingness and the fact that it is relatively narrow. With the expansion, we are going to greatly increase the availability for large trucks to use those roads which rumble right by my bedroom. I really don't want to hear that. We only occasionally hear it now. And we spend a great deal of time in our backyard, in our pool and in the hot tub. So now I'm considering that in the future, I'm going to have to listen to all this traffic right on the opposite side of my fence line. So I see this as an affront to my quality of life after 26 years, not to mention that the value of my house is going to greatly decrease. Had I wanted to live on Mercury Boulevard, I'd have bought a house on Mercury Boulevard. So now because I live on the corner of a residential street, a 35-mile-an-hour street which will become a 45-mile-an-hour five-lane street with sidewalks and bike paths, then my home value is going to drop considerably. Well, the City has made no mention of how those individuals are going to be compensated for the loss of their quality of life and the devaluation of their home. (Michael Holden, Parcel ID# 030)

- Just looking at this plan, I mean, it's obvious to me the City doesn't care about anybody that lives down here. It's hard to put it in words because, you know, we've lived here for 26 years. I want to die here. But the value, like I said, it's -- they are lowering our value. If we decide, okay, we don't like how busy the noise is and the traffic, we're not going to get compensated for the property and what we've done to it. They are going to want to give you assessed value. If we decide we want to move after they put the road in, then our property value's going to go down because a four-lane road's going to make our property value go down. It's like my husband said. If we wanted to live on Mercury Boulevard, we would have bought a house on Mercury Boulevard. If I wanted to live on Big Bethel the way they did with Big Bethel, I would have bought one out there, too. At the time we bought it, it was a two-lane road, quiet neighborhood, and that's why we wanted to live there. So it's -- I think they are doing this because of the Magruder property that -- it's over there on Magruder. It's that office park over there where Commander Shepard is coming in. They've got deep pockets over there. Commander Shepard Boulevard is coming in. That's the area that's coming in now. And they are going to feed Commander Shepard onto our road, all in effect to get to this office park back on Magruder. So you've got somebody over on Magruder Office Park that's got deep pockets, they wanted a thoroughfare to bring more money into their office park, so they are giving them that road. I don't like it. Anything I say is not going to change it. The City's going to do what they want. They don't care about the people that live out there. It's all about money. And they've got a federal grant. They need to put it somewhere, so this is where they are going to put it. (Katherine Holden, Parcel ID# 030)

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| | NAME | STREET ADDRESS | EMAIL | * Check if Prop. Owner |
|----|-------------------------|---|--|------------------------|
| 1 | Mr. & Mrs. Chilcott | 105 Saunders Road. | | Y |
| 2 | Anthony Williams | 149 Saunders Road | Twilliams@ArcVap.org | N/A |
| 3 | Richard Wisniewski | 165 Saunders Road | Rwiski@ymail.com | Y |
| 4 | Frieda Sullivan | 137 Saunders Road | | Y |
| 5 | Priscilla Saunders | 167 Saunders Road | pasent@verizon.net | Y |
| 6 | Rachel Swift | 7 Newgate Village Road | mobicat@hotmail.com | Y |
| 7 | John and Juanita Harris | 115 Saunders Road | | Y |
| 8 | Row Thompson | 173 Saunders Road | | Y |
| 9 | Wayne P. Holder | 5 Philmont Drive | wph66@yahoo.com | Y |
| 10 | Bonita Hunter | 40 West View Dr | | N/A |
| 11 | C. Whittemore | 166 Saunders Road | cswhittemore@verizon.net | Y |
| 12 | Sharon Mingee | 10 Quarter Path Lane | swm445@cox.net | Y |
| 13 | Mark Mingee | 147 Saunders Road | mmingee@Hampton.K12.va.us | Y |
| 14 | Sandy Rico Michelle | 103 Saunders Road | ricosremodelingandbuilding@yahoo.com | N/A |
| 15 | Dan Girouard | 1 Franklin Street | dgirouard@hampton.gov | N/A |
| 16 | Kathryn Burger | 151 Saunders Road | | N/A |
| 17 | Roy Burger | 151 Saunders Road | royburger@cox.net | Y |
| 18 | Patricia Burger | 1437 Private Property Court, Cloucester Pt. | | N/A |
| 19 | Wayne and Mary Lewis | 128 Saunders Road | Marylew72@gmail.com | Y |
| 20 | Michael Smock | 2 Dusk Court | | Y |
| 21 | J. Anderson | 1390 Big Bethel Rd. | Jea44011msn.com | Y |
| 22 | Evertie Skipper | 2400 Washingotn ave NN 23606 | eskipper@nngov.com | N/A |
| 23 | Randolph Smith | 2 Flinton Dr. | | Y |
| 24 | Jay Klinefelter | 120 Saunders Rd | randySmith14@cox.net | Y |

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| 25 | John Kubesh | 113 saunders Rd. | akubegh@cox.net | Y |
| 26 | Frank Ottofar | 341 Wretham Ct. | | Y |
| 27 | Nelo Nightingale | 110 FlintonDr. 23666 | Nightingale_757@yahoo.com | Y |
| 28 | Robert Bauchle | Daily Press | | N/A |
| 29 | Larry Cumming | 5 Quarter Path Lane | lkcumming@kaufcam.com | N/A |
| 30 | Donnie and Beth Fromal | | | N/A |
| 31 | Laurie Quint | 75 Dawn Lane | olivertwit@cox.net | Y |
| 32 | Jack and Helen Johnson | 7 Ridgement Circle | Johnson.j.h@hotmail.com | Y |
| 33 | Lonnie Eskeli | 1019 Harpersville Rd. | Ljeskeli@gmail.com | N/A |
| 34 | Sharon Smith | 154 saunders Road. | jabberwocky7@earthlink.net | Y |
| 35 | Michael and Katherine Holder | 2 Edgemont Dr | mjholders57verizon.net | Y |
| 36 | William | 8 Betz Lane | ampi01@hotmail.com | Y |
| 37 | V. Moses | 6 Sanlun Lakes Drive | | Y |
| 38 | D. Brian Edward | 31 Betz Lane | | Y |
| 39 | Helen M. Waters | 27 Betz Lane | | Y |
| 40 | Terry & Brenda Pitt | 127 Saunders Rd. | Tpitt7@cox.net | Y |
| 41 | Glenn Hodge | 133 Saunders Rd. | shoogoo@mail.com | Y |
| 42 | Lisa& Eddith Mallory | 9 Quarter Path Lane | lamallory@verizon.net | Y |
| 43 | Ronnie Fronial | 14 Philmont Dr. | Ronnie1.6@cox.net | Y |
| 44 | Michelle Osborn | 161 Saunders Road | Signatureart@verizon.net | Y |

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| 1 | Mr & Mrs Chulcott | 105 Saunders Rd | laeget | ✓ |
| 2 | ANTHONY WILLIAMS | 149 SAUNDERS RD | TWILLIAM@ARC.VA.P.O.R.G. | |
| 3 | Richard Wisniewski | 1605 SAUNDERS RD | RWISKIA@YMAIL.COM | ✓ |
| 4 | Frieda Sullivan | 137 Saunders Rd. | ✓ | ✓ |
| 5 | PERSEUS SAUNDERS | 167 SAUNDERS RD. | 3ascnt@verizon.net | ✓ |
| 6 | Rachel Swift | 7 Newgate Village Rd | mobicate@hotmail.com | ✓ |
| 7 | John & Juanita Harris | 115 SAUNDERS Rd - Apt | — | ✓ |
| 8 | Kow Thompson | 173 SAUNDERS | — | ✓ |
| 9 | Wayne P Holden | 5 Philmont Drive | WPH56@Yahoo.com | ✓ |
| 10 | Bonita Hunter | 40 Westview Dr. | Bonita Hunter | |
| 11 | Charles Whittemore | 160 Saunders Rd - 1st | CSWHITTEMORE@VERIZON.NET | ✓ |
| 12 | Sharon Minger | 10 Quarter Path Lane | SWM445@COX.NET | ✓ |
| 13 | Mark Minger | 147 Saunders Rd | minger@hampton.k12.va.us | ✓ |
| 14 | Sandy Piro Miller | 103 Saunders Rd | Tico's Remodeling and Building@yahoo.com | |
| 15 | Dana Girona RD | 1172 SANICLW ST. | dgrirona@hampton.gov | |
| 16 | Kathryn Bunge | 151 Saunders Rd | — | |
| 17 | Roy Burger | 151 Saunders Rd. | royburger@cox.net | ✓ |
| 18 | Patricia Bunch | 1437 Private Property of Glenview ft. | — | |
| 19 | Wayne & Mary Lewis | 128 Saunders Rd | ttatamary@ew72@gmail.com | ✓ |
| 20 | Michael Smack | 2 Dusk Court | — | ✓ |

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| 1. J Anderson | 1390 Big Bethel RD | Jea4401@msn.com | ✓ |
| 2. Everett Swapp | 2400 Washington Ave NW 23666 | eskipper@mgm.com | |
| 3. Randolph Smith | 2 Flinton Dr. | RandySmith14@cox.net | ✓ |
| 4. JAY KLINEFELTER | 120 SAUNDERS RD | SHLYL5@cox.net | ✓ |
| 5. John Kubesh | 113 Saunders Rd | akubesh@cox.net | ✓ |
| 6. Frank Ottobaro | 341 Netherman Ct | | ✓ |
| 7. NELO NIGHTINGALE | 110 FLINTON DR 23666 | NIGHTINGALE-757ATYAHOO.COM | ✓ |
| 8. Robert Brachle | Daly Press | | |
| 9. LARRY CEMARINS | 5 Squander Beth Lane | LCCEMARINS@KAYCEAN.COM | |
| 10. Denise & Beth Fremont | | | |
| 11. Laurie Quint | 75 Dawn Lane | oliver.t.wit@cox.net | ✓ |
| 12. Jack & Helen Johnson | 7 Ridgemoor Cir | johnsonj.h@cox.net | ✓ |
| 13. Lonnie Eskeli | 1019 Happersville Rd | Leskelid@gmail.com | |
| 14. Sharon Smith | 154 Squanders rd | jabberwocky7@earthlink.net | ✓ |
| 15. Michaela Katherine Holder | 2 Edgemont Dr. Apt. 23666 | mjohnholden57@verizon.net | ✓ |
| 16. William Fortbeck | 8 Betz Lane | amptd1@hotmail.com | ✓ |
| 17. V. Moser | 6 Saulin Lake | | ✓ |
| 18. D. BRIAN EDWARD | 31 BETZ LAKE | | ✓ |
| 19. Helen M. Waters | 27 Betz Lane | | ✓ |
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| 1 | Glenn Hodge | 133 SAUNDERS RD | Shoo9001@gmail.com | YES |
| 2 | Lisa + Edith Mallory | 9 Quarter Path Lane | lamallorye@verizon.net | YES |
| 3 | Ronnie Freeman | 14 Philman Dr | Ronnie16@cox.net | YES |
| 4 | Michelle Osborn | 161 Saunders Rd | signaturearta@verizon.net | ✓ |
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Name: ANTHONY WILLIAMS AGENT FOR THE ARC OF THE VIRGINIA PENINSULA

Street Address: 149 SAUNDERS RD.

Telephone Number: 757 896-8429

Email Address: TWILLIAM@ARCVAP.ORG

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

NONE

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

ROAD LIGHTING, DRAINAGE, CROSS WALKS ALL CONCERNS ARE LOCATIONS.

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

YES

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

YES

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

DRIVEWAYS ONTO PROPERTIES

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☒ No ☐

If not, were you offered further assistance? _____

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☐ Direct Mail ☐ Roadway Signs ☐

Other (please explain) EMAIL

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Name: FLOYD CHILCOTT

Street Address: 105 SAUNDERS ROAD

Telephone Number: 757 766-3569 Email Address: lacpet@verizon.net

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

The need for a large SWM pond seems overstated. I ~~had~~ had hoped and was led to believe that the residual property left after taking footage from my home lot would be useable for building a new house.

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

Sidewalk traffic is not existent or so little that a 5 ft wide sidewalk on each side of the street is extreme overbuilding - ~~as~~ - By Bethel road has same plan - but no pedestrian traffic is using sidewalks.

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

Too much overbuilding in sidewalks and greenspace on each side of new road proposal

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☐ No ☒ SomeIf not, were you offered further assistance? ☐7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☒ Direct Mail ☒ Roadway Signs ☐
Other (please explain) email, ☒

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Name: BRIAN EDWARDS

Street Address: 31 BETZ LANE

Telephone Number: 766-3846

Email Address:

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

BETZ LANE MAIL BOXES. WHERE WILL THEY GO

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

YES

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

I WOULD LIKE SOME POTENTIAL FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER LINE DOWN BETZ LANE. PLEASE CONSIDER THE ADDITIONAL WATER SUPPLY WHEN BUILDING THE ROAD. SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO TEAR UP THE ROAD AFTER BUILDING IT!

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☒ No ☐
If not, were you offered further assistance?7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☒ Direct Mail ☐ Roadway Signs ☐
Other (please explain) NEIGHBOR

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Name:

JOHN & JUANITA HARRIS

Street Address:

115 SAUNDERS RD

Telephone Number:

766-3643

Email Address:

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

I AM NOT HAPPY ABOUT LOSING ALL MY PROPERTY TO
STORM WATER BASIN - I THINK IT CAN BE LOCATED
ELSE WHERE. I GREW UP THERE AND WOULD LIKE TO
CONTINUE TO HAVE MY HOUSE MOVED BACK ON

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

BUILD A NEW ONE - I AM HAPPY WITH MY
COMMUNITY & ENJOY LOCATION -

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

BECAUSE OF ROAD GOING INTO A TOWN HAVE
AT CITY LINE - WHY DO WE NEED SIDEWALKS
AND BIKE Lanes ON BOTH SIDES - ITS

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

A WASTE TO ME -

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☒ No ☐

If not, were you offered further assistance?

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☐ Direct Mail ☒ Roadway Signs ☐

Other (please explain)

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Name: Lisa Mallory + Edith MalloryStreet Address: 9 Quarter Path Lane, Hampton, VA 23664Telephone Number: 757-715-1180 Email Address: la.mallory@verizon.net

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

No

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

No

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

Yes

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

Yes

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

I would prefer there not be a median at the end of Quarter Path Lane. However, if there is one, I would prefer to be able to make a U-turn at the end of the median by Edge mont when coming home from Newport News. As drawn, there is no indentation in the median to allow a vehicle to move off

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☒ No ☐ the main road.

If not, were you offered further assistance? _____

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☐ Direct Mail ☐ Roadway Signs ☒Other (please explain) Mr. Whitley

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I don't want to have to go down to Flinton Drive to safely make the U-turn.

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Name: HELEN M. WATERS

Street Address: 27 Betz Lane

Telephone Number: 766-3542

Email Address: _____

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

We were NOT told about SWM's - why can't this water drain into the ditch and/or woods next to property at Betz + Park area? Will Betz lane get improved drainage from this endeavor?

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

on Betz lane, How will where will the mail boxes be located?

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes _____ No _____

If not, were you offered further assistance? Kind of. = we have no choices

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☒ Direct Mail _____ Roadway Signs _____

Other (please explain) ✓ Neighbor sent out flyer w/ location map of meeting.

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Name: Michelle Osborn
Street Address: 1161 Saunders Rd
Telephone Number: 757-766-1705 Email Address: signatureart@verizon.net

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

please provide sewer to our Address
& is there anyway to start the median right after
our driveway? We are first on that side so I to make
A rt turn to go down to make A U-turn to come
back to Big Bethel - please.

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

NO
Bus stops on my property

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

just depressed me (that's A joke)

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

I live on the road...

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

low growing trees that don't require constant
trimming Nandinas (8' high) are perfect because you
don't trim and they stay green year Around

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☒ No ☐

If not, were you offered further assistance? ☐

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☒ Direct Mail ☐ Roadway Signs ☐

Other (please explain) email

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"Thanks for
helping us visualize.

From: Whitley, Fred <fred.whitley@urs.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 12:48 PM
To: Hofheimer, Salvija
Cc: Jucksch, Bekki; Allsbrook, Lynn (lallsbro@hampton.gov)
Subject: FW: Saunders Road widening in Hampton- any comments for the public record?
Attachments: Saunders Road Widening Project.pdf

Here's NNews' comment form, which requests that the project be extended to the west....

From: Emery, Marcelina M. [mailto:memery@nngov.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 11:46 AM
To: Whitley, Fred
Subject: RE: Saunders Road widening in Hampton- any comments for the public record?

Mr. Whitley,

Attached is copy of Everett's comment form.

Thank you
Marcelina

From: Skipper, Everett P.
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2012 8:45 AM
To: Whitley, Fred
Cc: Emery, Marcelina M.
Subject: RE: Saunders Road widening in Hampton- any comments for the public record?

You should have received a comment form. I am copying my assistant so she can resend if you did not.

Everett

From: Whitley, Fred [mailto:fred.whitley@urs.com]
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2012 8:26 AM
To: Skipper, Everett P.
Cc: Allsbrook, Lynn (lallsbro@hampton.gov); Bekki.Jucksch@kimley-horn.com
Subject: Saunders Road widening in Hampton- any comments for the public record?

Good morning, Everett. Thanks for coming to the Saunders Road widening Public Hearing last week. I didn't get to talk with you very much at the meeting so I was wondering if you had any comments or questions about the project that you would like to go on the public record?

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July 12, 2012

Name: Everett Skipper, PE
 Street Address: 2400 Washington Ave, 8th Floor, Newport News VA 23606
 Telephone Number: 757 926 8611 Email Address: ESkipper@nngov.com

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

No

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

No

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

This is a pre-meeting comment

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

This is a pre-meeting comment

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

The westernmost project limit currently stops about 120' into about 700' of a constricted right of way bordering the Hampton/Newport News City Line. While NND does not have a companion roadway improvement project, we would be pleased to assist you in negotiating easements and/or ROW to extend your improvements to the westernmost city line.

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☒ No ☐

If not, were you offered further assistance?

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☒ Direct Mail ☒ Roadway Signs ☐

Other (please explain) City contacts

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Name: William Jotterbeck

Street Address: 8 Betz Lane

Telephone Number: 757-225-4221 Email Address: _____

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

Please reference
attachment. Thank you.
W Jotterbeck

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes _____ No _____

If not, were you offered further assistance? _____

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper _____ Direct Mail _____ Roadway Signs _____

Other (please explain) _____

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From: William Solterbeck
8 Betz Lane
Hampton, VA 23666

To: City of Hampton
Saunders Road Widening Project (05-013)
Attn: Lynn Allsbrook
City of Hampton Public Works
22 Lincoln Street
Hampton, VA 23669

Subject: Comments Post-12Jul2012 Public Hearing

Hi,

I appreciate the City of Hampton's offering of this public hearing, presentation of project information, and willingness to accept comments from the public. I must say that the city representatives present at the public hearing handled themselves very professionally and courteously, despite being confronted with a number of disgruntled and outspoken citizens. Kudos to those folks you sent to represent the City of Hampton; they were very pleasant.

Rather than hand-written comments on the forms provided, please accept these type-written comments—my penmanship leaves a lot to be desired. I've provided responses below IAW the seven response sections from the comment form.

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

I don't know that I've seen something called an Environmental Document. I received a document at the public hearing titled *Saunders Road Widening—Public Hearing* which may be what is being referred to in this question as the Environmental Document. If so, it is overly summarized to suit my interests. I've reviewed the *Saunders Road Widening Conceptual Study*, which does describe environmental study results in sufficient detail to address most of my concerns.

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document? Nearly all topics are mentioned in the Environmental Document, though there are very few details. I've entered my comments and suggestions under item #5 below.
3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered? Yes
4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project? Yes
5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

Please consider the following in determining the final design of this project:

- 1) Consider (1)adjusting the west end of the project 600' further west to beyond Westview Drive, (2)adding a 200' westbound right turn only lane onto Betz Lane, and (3)extending two through traffic lanes beyond the Saunders Road intersection with Betz Lane / Sanlun Lakes Drive. IAW the large

maps that were on display at the public hearing (and the *Saunders Road Widening Conceptual Study*), the current plan had the four lane reduction to two lanes occurring east of Westview Drive at the Hampton / Newport News Corporate Line (though the Environmental Document brochure at the public hearing depicted the west end of the project coinciding with Westview drive).

The *Saunders Road Widening Conceptual Study* stated that the intersection of Saunders Road and Betz Lane / Sanlun Lakes Drive had the highest minor street volume. As is currently the plan, there would be a lot going on very near that intersection (and therefore a safety issue)—the highest volume of left turns, change of right westbound through traffic lane to right turn only westbound lane onto Betz Lane (causing urgent lane changes to the left for through traffic), and Saunders Road curve to the left. Just prior to that intersection and curve heading westbound there would be a lot of drivers checking left mirrors and looking over their left shoulder for a last moment merge to the left, center lane for through traffic just as occasional cars are unexpected, quickly slowing from 40-45mph to a near stop to turn onto the narrow, gravel Betz Lane—it is very likely there will be rear end collisions considering these circumstances. Additionally, turning left from Sanlun Lakes Drive onto westbound Saunders Road is already a little tricky—the curve to the left of the intersection limits being able to see traffic coming and so requires quick acceleration when doing so (and this circumstance will worsen when the road speed limit is increased). These recommended adjustments—moving the west end further west, adding a right turn only lane for Betz Lane traffic, and extending two through traffic lanes beyond the intersection—would help reduce the intensity of the activity in the vicinity of that intersection and increase traffic safety.

The specific recommendation for the 600' shift west is more clearly depicted in Figure 1. This specifically chosen location (600' to the west) seems to be a logical one in that:

- i. It is about 100' east of the beginning of the existing eastbound, widened, paved shoulder.
- ii. That location provides a substantive traffic cueing capacity after the intersection.
- iii. The 700' preceding section of westbound roadway is nearly straight (no curve).

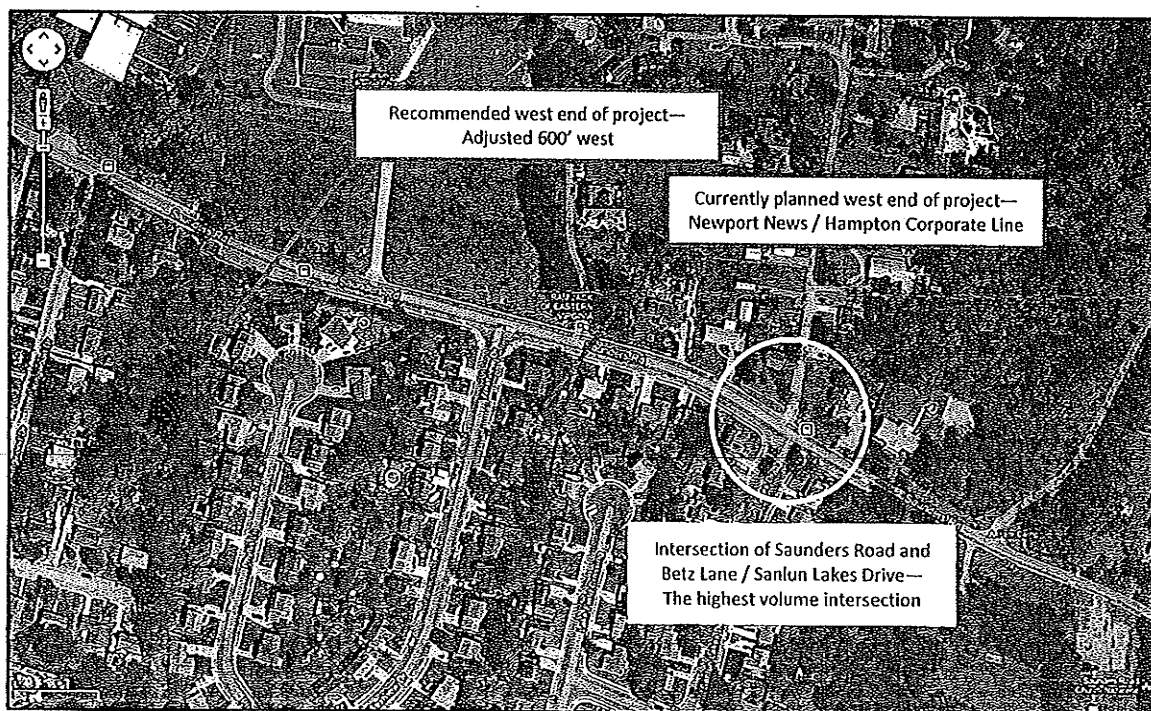


Figure 1: Depiction of Recommendation to Shift West Project End 600' West

The added right turn only lane onto Betz Lane would consume land that is already part of the property the city intends to purchase (113 and 115 Saunders Road are slated as complete property purchases). The only impact (in addition to slightly more cost specifically for road construction of this turn lane) would be a slightly smaller area for the SWM Pond. As a solution to consider, the pond may be able to be increased in capacity by designing it to be a little deeper—maybe a foot or so would be adequate.

Two through traffic lanes beyond the intersection and around the curve will improve roadway safety. Traffic will be able to maintain speeds and lanes through the intersection and around the curve rather than make those adjustments just as they're entering the intersection and approaching the curve.

- 2) Consider specifying inclusion of water aeration fountains and treatment for the SWM Pond at 113 / 115 Saunders Road. These features will help keep this pond a plus rather than a negative for the local community. Aeration and treatment will help keep the mosses, mosquitos, and foul odors abated, and can represent a little giving to the neighborhood with respect to the overall road widening project impacts. The citizens most tangibly impacted by this road widening project—those of us that live right there—will certainly appreciate that gesture.
6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes, most of my questions were answered and further assistance was offered.
7. How did you hear about this meeting? Direct Mail

Again, I appreciate being able to submit these comments regarding the Saunders Road Widening project. I would be happy to further clarify or further discuss my comments with you at your convenience.

Respectfully,



William "Salty" Solterbeck
8 Betz Lane
Hampton, VA 23666
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Office, M-F 7-5: 757-225-4221
Cell: 520-370-9081
William.solterbeck.ctr@langley.af.mil

From: Whitley, Fred <fred.whitley@urs.com>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2012 9:45 AM
To: Hofheimer, Salvija
Cc: Jucksch, Bekki
Subject: FW: 161 Saunders road
Attachments: Fred Whitley PE.vcf

Hi Salvija, would you add the email comment below to the Public Record on Saunders Road? Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Michelle Osborn [<mailto:signatureart@verizon.net>]
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2012 9:32 AM
To: Whitley, Fred
Subject: Re: 161 Saunders road

That is fine, Fred.
Thanks,
Michelle

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 16, 2012, at 8:17 AM, "Whitley, Fred" <fred.whitley@urs.com> wrote:

> Good morning, Michelle. Thanks for coming to the Public Hearing last week.
> With your permission, I would like to include this email in the public comments that will be reviewed and considered prior to starting the detailed road design work.

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> -----Original Message-----

> **From:** Michelle Osborn [<mailto:signatureart@verizon.net>]
> **Sent:** Friday, July 13, 2012 11:45 AM
> **To:** Whitley, Fred
> **Subject:** 161 Saunders road

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> Fred,

> Just wanted to remind you that I have had a business at this residence for 18 years and the previous owners for at least 11 before me.

> This property is zoned both residential/light commercial And I have large delivery trucks come in to deliver my supplies.

> Because of the amount of time I have been in business, do you think this could be taken into consideration when determining that median in front of my driveway?

> I am a woman-owned business and would

> Like this to be taken into consideration when going back to look at this issue.

> Thanks!

> Michelle

> Signature Art is the name of the business.

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> Sent from my iPhone

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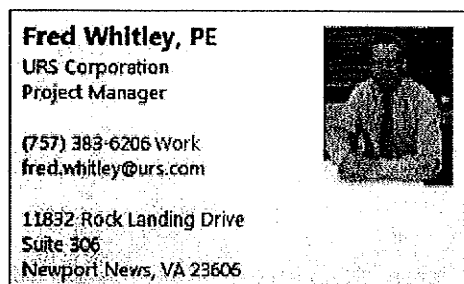
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From: Whitley, Fred <fred.whitley@urs.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2012 7:51 AM
To: tpitt7@cox.net
Cc: Hofheimer, Salvija
Subject: Saunders Road improvements- your property at #127
Attachments: Fred Whitley PE.vcf

Hi Terry, it was a pleasure talking with you and your wife yesterday about the road project and your main concern about access into and out of your property with your RV. I will pass on to the road designers that you would like to have a 16' wide driveway apron to facilitate your movements with the RV.

And, once I am able to meet with Dominion Va Power, I will let you know if there is any talk about moving the overhead utilities along the frontage of your property, which would require a 20' wide easement to be purchased from you, in addition to the right of way needed for the road improvements.

Take care and I'll be back in touch as new information becomes available.



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July 12, 2012

Name: TERRY E. DEAN DA PITTStreet Address: 127 SAUNDERS Rd. HAMPTON 23666Telephone Number: 757-577-7575Email Address: tpitt7@cox.net

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

NO

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

~~THE~~ DRAINAGE INTO THE FARM CAMP AREA

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

YES

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

YES

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

POWER LINES AND CABLES WOULD BE NICE UNDERGROUND
~~SEWER SYSTEMS~~ I HAVE A 30A CAMPER AND NEED A
WIDER DRIVEWAY + APRON TO PULL INTO OFF SAUNDERS6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☒ No ☐If not, were you offered further assistance? to some degree7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☐ Direct Mail ☒ Roadway Signs ☐

Other (please explain) _____

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Name: Sharon A. Mallory

Street Address: 5 Quarter Path Lane, Hampton, VA 23666

Telephone Number: 757-871-9336 Email Address: malloryapartments@verizon.net

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

No

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

No

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

Yes

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

Yes

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

The raised median at Quarter Path Lane should be removed to permit left turns in and out of Quarter Path Lane.

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☒ No ☐

If not, were you offered further assistance? _____

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☒ Direct Mail ☐ Roadway Signs ☐
Other (please explain) _____

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July 12, 2012

Name: Gilbert And Sharon Smith

Street Address: 154 Saunders rd, Hampton Va. 23666

Telephone Number: 757-766-3561

Email Address: jabberwocky7@earthlink.net

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

creating a bottleneck effect at the end of this project at the newport News line will be dangerous. We all know what happens (ie. rt 64 last in denbigh, big bethe road near mercury) It will become a race to see who gets there first.

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

The danger of cars ending up in front yards. When the ditch in front of the houses is gone, the cars could end up in our homes. As you know this happens frequently.

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

Why was this presentation not set up as a meeting? As a meeting questions and concerns could be addressed so all could hear and respond. This presentation was no different than the one at Sandy bottom months ago.

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

has a center turn lane instead of this been considered? It would be for both ways as there is on rt 60 as you enter Williamsburg.

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☐ No ☒

If not, were you offered further assistance? talked to 3 people, they understand but no answers

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☐ Direct Mail ☒ Roadway Signs ☐

Other (please explain) _____

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July 12, 2012

Name: Lawrence G. Cumming

Street Address: 5 Quarter Path Lane, Hampton, VA 23666

Telephone Number: 757-717-1117

Email Address: LGCUMMING@KAUFCAN.COM

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

NO

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

NO

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

YES

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

YES

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

SEE ATTACHED MEMO

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☒ No ☐

If not, were you offered further assistance? _____

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☒ Direct Mail ☐ Roadway Signs ☐

Other (please explain) _____

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Paragraph 5 – Response

The raised median at Quarter Path Lane should be removed or moved back in an easterly direction so that left turns in and out of Quarter Path Lane are permitted. The westbound dedicated left turn lane on Saunders Road should be retained, but marked or painted on the road, not created with the raised median.

Without this change the resulting U-turns will be more disruptive to traffic and more dangerous than any interaction between westbound and eastbound traffic on Saunders Road at this location.

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July 12, 2012

Name: Sharon Mingee

Street Address: 10 Quarter Path Lane, Wpt., VA 23066

Telephone Number: (757) 766-3644 Email Address: Swm445@cox.net

1. Do you have any comments concerning the Environmental Document that was prepared for this project?

No comments. I never saw an environmental document.

2. Are there any issues you are concerned about which are not addressed in the Environmental Document?

Although I never saw an environmental document, when I suggested Sample Farm Road was more worthy of a renovation, I was told there were too many environmental issues (wetlands, etc.) to tackle on that road. But Newport News is expected to tackle their environmental issues to extend the "project" into their city to alleviate the massive bottlenecks.

3. Has this meeting helped you understand the project's purpose and need; alternatives that were considered?

No. I don't understand this at all and furthermore, I am not aware of any alternatives at all. Saunders Road was a done deal because of federal money with total disregard for the residents.

4. Are you more aware of the social, economic, environmental, and other impacts of the project?

No. I did find out about the retention ponds, but there seems to be a discrepancy between the newspaper and the city as to how many residents will be losing their homes.

5. Please provide us with any information that you feel will assist in developing the final design of this project.

Have the traffic routed onto Big Bethel Road to Hampton Roads Center Parkway (the road designed to connect the city) or Magruder Blvd - Rte 134 which would allow the residents to keep their property.

6. Were project representatives able to answer your questions? Yes ☐ No ☒

If not, were you offered further assistance? no

7. How did you hear about this meeting? Newspaper ☒ Direct Mail ☐ Roadway Signs ☐

Other (please explain) I just happened to read the newspaper. Many of my neighbors did not know about this meeting.

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